

# OUR LATE COLD NIP

Howard Fielding Discusses the Great National Malady.

## HOW TO KEEP WELL WARM

He Has Given His Mind and Both Lungs to the Subject, and Has Evolved Important Principles.

At this season of the year, when so many of us are suffering from colds and others from the influenza they have taken to get rid of them, I think that a few words from a man who has given deep thought to both these applications may not be out of place. I have had the subject on my mind, my lungs and a good working majority of my other vital organs, for a long time.

Boston is supposed to be the headquarters of the cold. Physicians in that city are supposed to subsid almost entirely upon the cold wind. It must be very nourishing, for the number of



A FEW PARTING ADMONITIONS

physicians there is as the sands upon the Nantucket beach. I have seen so many doctors' signs on a single block that I have doubted whether a human being could walk through and preserve his ordinary health. New York has a distinct advantage, for whereas in Boston they derive their colds from the east wind, here we are not dependent upon any particular point of the compass. We have a good deal of fun with our New England neighbor, but we continue to get out the cough medicine as a matter of etiquette when anybody calls upon us. In Chicago the little breezes blow the bacilli of cold across the city; and then the wind shifts and blows them back again from the boundless prairie.

There are many remedies for a cold. I once looked the subject up in a medical work which devoted ninety-nine pages to it, and the remedies averaged thirteen to the page. The doctor who went through this book with me was more honest than the man who wrote it, and he admitted that they were all utterly "no good" except one to which nobody had ever tried. This is to abstain from the use of any fluid whatever for seventy-two hours. I am not joking about this; it is really so set down. If any man will actually stick to this, it will cure him; and if he has been sufficiently wicked in his life he will never have a cold again during the remainder of eternity, nor any fluid either, according to the doctrine I was brought up in. For he is a man better fitted to stand a drought than I am if he lives through it.

My deduction from this mass of facts is that the secret of the whole matter lies in prevention. I said some of these things to a friend one morning about two weeks ago. She was expressing a fear that she had caught cold. I ventured to suggest that she might have done it on the previous night when she spent some minutes leaning out of a window to see whether a small fire a mile or two up the street was likely to spread to our residence. To tell the truth, I had experienced on that morning some slight premonitions of the na-



A TRAIN WAS JUST PULLING OUT.

tional malady, and had resolved to take unusual precautions during the day. My friend, the doctor, had cautioned me against certain indiscretions such as going out to my lunch without an overcoat, and others which he knew that I would commit just the same. A physician never loses any money by giving us good advice except when he neglects to collect the bill for it on the spot.

However, I was thinking of what he had said, when the bell on our flat tinkled twice. This is the postman's ring, and indicates that he has put a letter in the little box in the outer hall. This signal is counterfeited very successfully by people with bills, who employ it to decoy an unwary citizen into a confession that he is at home. If he expects a letter with a check in it he will very likely run down stairs without waiting for the servant to bring the letter, and if, at such a time, he encounters a man who asks him for nineteen dollars he will probably submit himself to a search, for which, of course, he will never get anything more than a disbursement. In this instance, however, I assured myself by prudent inspection from the window that it was really the postman. Nevertheless, I went down in a hurry, for I had said, that I forgot the key of the letter-box. It is possible to take a letter out of such a box with a pin-point. Indeed, there are in New York, I am told, some men who live by this occupation alone. I tried the pin-pointing game on the letter in my hand, but an honest man has no such tricks in his tool. The mail-bag was empty, and the man who lived

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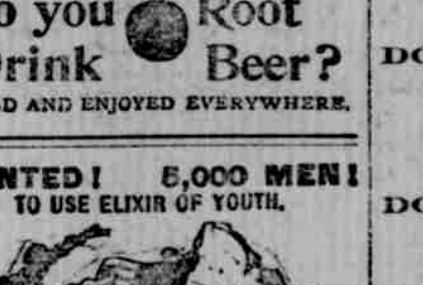
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